



Bed Bug Size & Lifecycle

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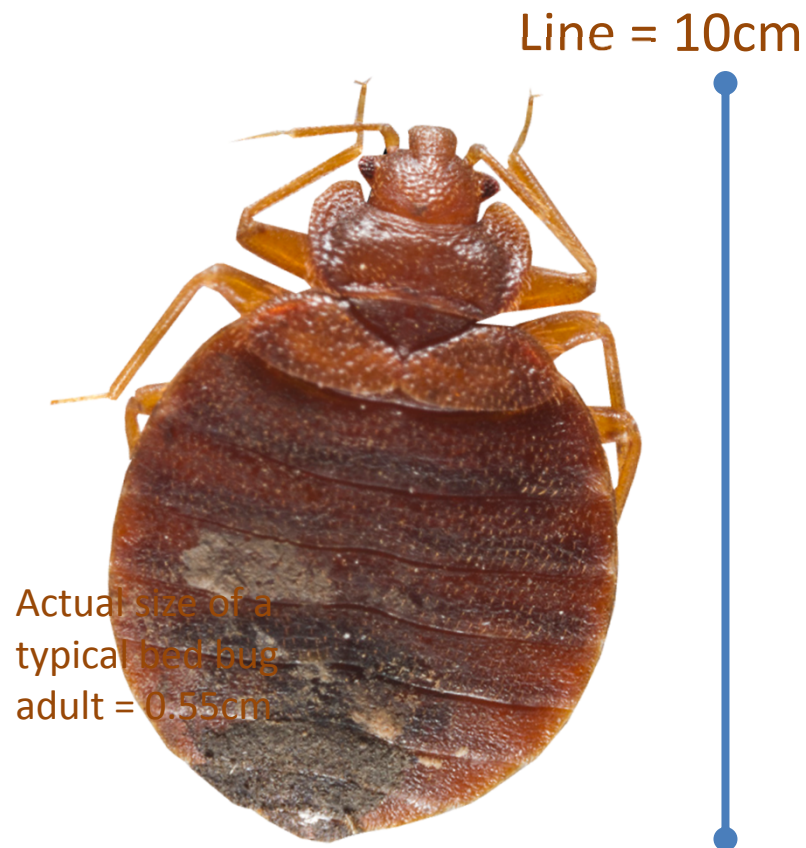
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The Size of a Bed Bug



BED BUGS ARE VERY
SMALL BITING INSECTS

Adults are red in colour
Eggs translucent

THEY ARE USUALLY ACTIVE
AT NIGHT



The Size of a Bed Bug

Actual size of
a typical bed
bug adult =
0.55cm

Actual size of
a 5th Instar
nymph
0.45cm

Actual size of
a 4th Instar
nymph
0.30cm

Actual size of
a 3th Instar
nymph
0.25cm

Actual size of
a 2nd Instar
nymph
0.20cm

Actual size of
a 1st Instar
nymph
0.15cm

Actual size of
egg = 0.10cm



Line = 6cm

Actual *comparative* size (x 1)

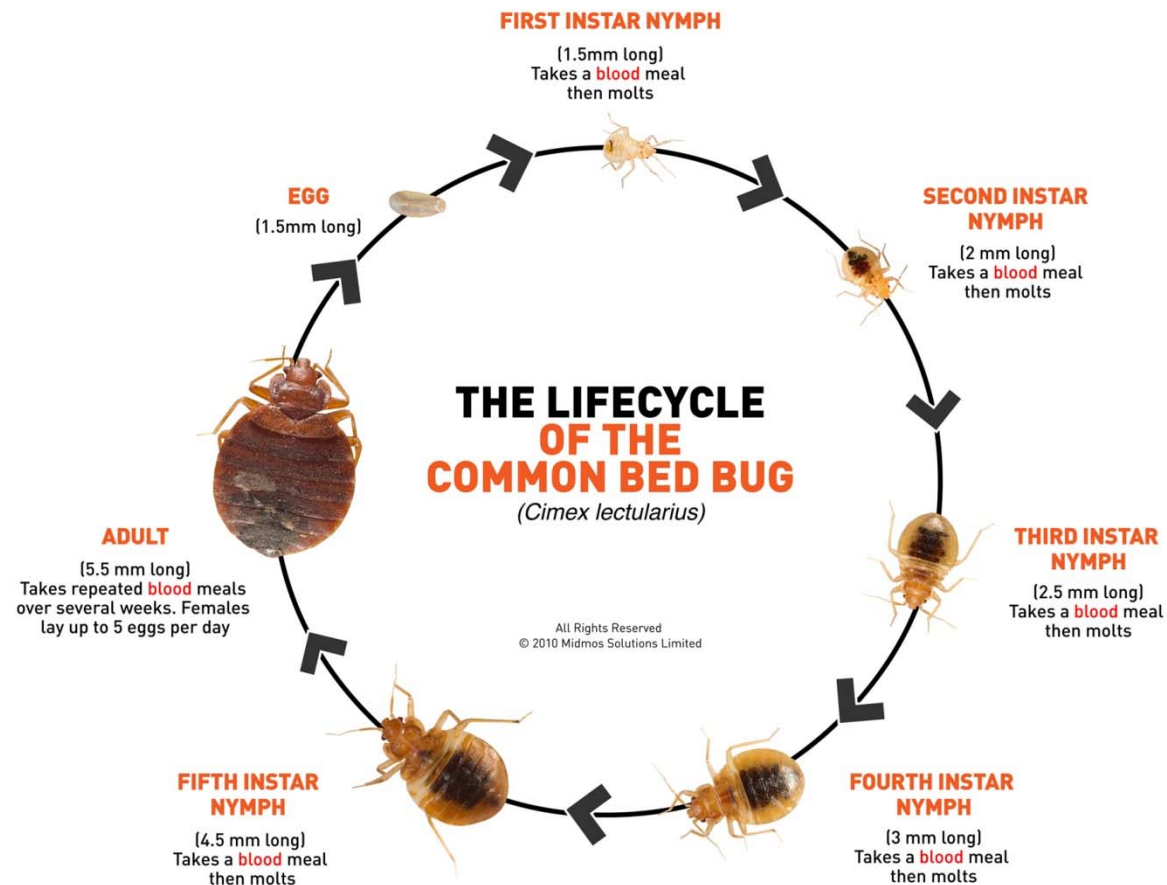
Enlarged size (x 12)



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The Lifecycle of the Common Bed Bug



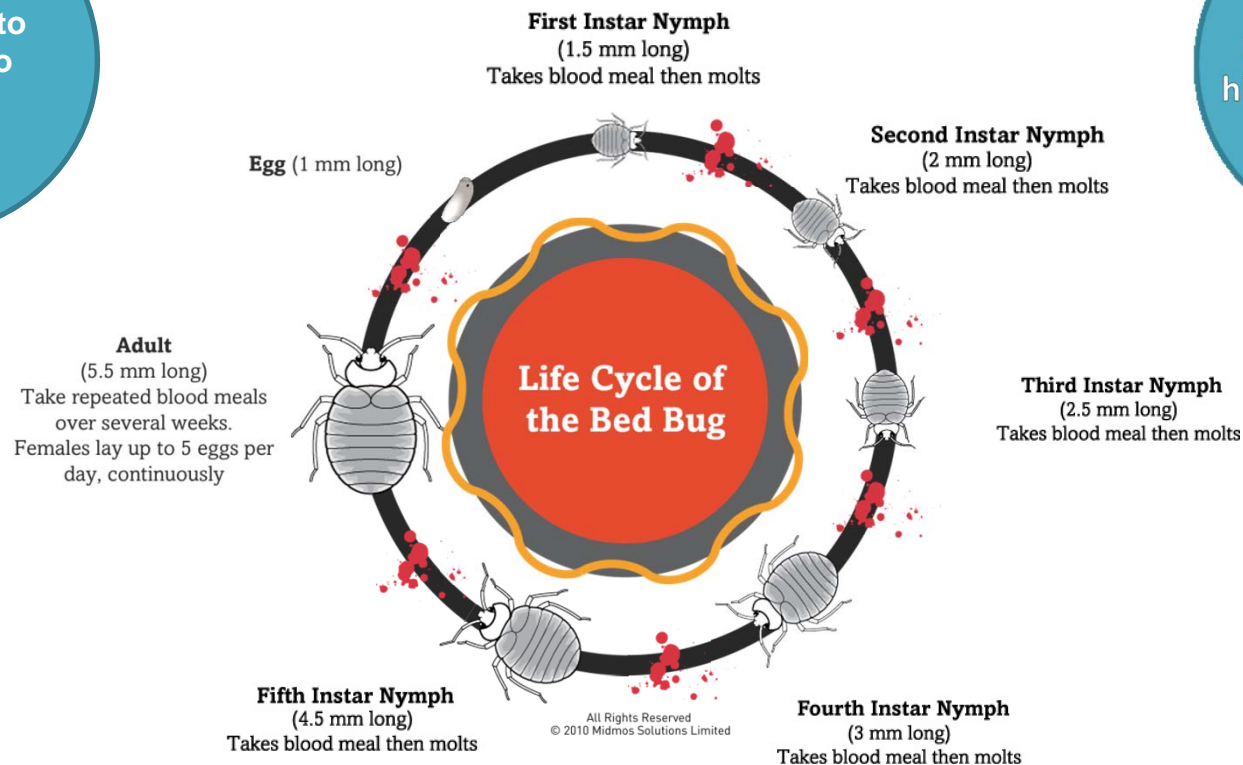
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Bed Bugs Need A Blood Meal to Survive and Grow

A blood meal is required to progress to the next life stage

Bed Bugs spend most of their life hidden within their harborage



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